MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Is it that no regard is being paid to works of a like nature, which require the immediate attention of Government, while there has been a surplus of about Rs. 4 lakhs in the budget for the current year?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): That is a hypothetical proposition which the Government are not now in a position to answer.

Widening of the Science College—Union Club Road.

13. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state what further steps have been taken in widening, etc., of the Science College—Union Club road?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The work has been budgeted for in the current year. It is reported that a survey has been prepared showing the widening needed. The estimate for the work is awaited from the Chief Engineer.

Public Tanks and Wells in Nagercoil Municipality.

14. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*): (*a*) Are the Government aware that the Nagercoil Municipality passed a resolution to the effect that all streets, public tanks and wells within the municipal limits should be thrown open for use to all classes of citizens irrespective of caste or creed?

(*b*) If so, what action was taken in the matter?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The resolution was cancelled by Government under Section 248 of the Municipal Regulation.

Period of the existing Council of the Nagercoil Municipality.

15. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state the date of termination of the Municipal Council of Nagercoil?

(*b*) Are the Government aware that the present Council has been living past its statutory period? If so, what is the reason and who is responsible for it?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Although the present Council completed its term of three years on the 1st Edavam, 1100, it will, under Section 13 (3) of the Municipal Regulation, continue to act until the constitution of the succeeding Council.

(*b*) Yes. The delay is due to the extension of the limits of the town of Nagercoil in 1100, the consequent increase in the number of electoral wards and the formalities necessary for the conduct of elections with reference to these changes.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): What was the real extension of the Nagercoil Municipality, which led to the increase of the wards?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I do not understand the spirit of the word '*extension*' in the supplementary question.

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